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United States Attorney Joe W. Stecher and the Nebraska State Patrol announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: The Honorable Richard G. Kopf, United States District Judge in Lincoln, Nebraska, on July 22, 2009, sentenced Donald P. Fox to 78 months imprisonment following his conviction for possession of marijuana with the intent to distribute. In addition to the term of imprisonment, Fox was ordered to serve 4 years of supervised release and pay a \$100 special assessment.

On December 4, 2002, Fox was an occupant in a minivan that was stopped by the Nebraska State Patrol on Interstate 80 in Hamilton County, Nebraska. Following a consent search, officers discovered over 400 pounds of marijuana in the vehicle. Fox failed to appear for trial and was later found in Atlanta, Georgia.

Name of Defendant: Donald P. Fox

AKA:

Age: 49

City of Residence: Atlanta, Georgia

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty: Possession with Intent to Distribute Marijuana - 40 years imprisonment; \$2,000,000 fine; 4 years term of supervised release, and \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Hamilton County, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Hamilton County, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: Approximately 400 pounds of marijuana

Others Charged in Same Scheme: None

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: 12/02/2002

Federal Arrest Date: 02/25/2003

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: 01/23/2003

Initial Appearance Date: 02/25/2003

Plea or Trial and Date(s): 04/29/2009

Sentencing Date: 07/22/2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: David Piester

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Held without Bond

In Continuous Custody Since: 09/24/2008

Assigned District Court Judge: Richard G. Kopf

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